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Permanent leadership of Assembled **Chemical Weapons Alternatives program** announced

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ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. -- Conrad F. Whyne, who has been serving as interim program manager since December 2010 of the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (ACWA) Program, has been selected to permanently lead the program as Program Executive Officer (PEO), ACWA. Mr. Whyne will assume duties as the PEO effective February 26, 2012.

The selection of Whyne to lead the ACWA program was a decision ultimately approved by the Secretary of the Army, in agreement with the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), and in coordination with the Army's Senior Executive Service assignment process.

Whyne's career began in 1984 as a U.S. Army captain. Since that time, he has led chemical demilitarization projects at Pine Bluff Arsenal, Ark. and Anniston Army Depot, Ala., with responsibility for project management, contract oversight, the environmental permitting process, and planning/budgeting for the projects. Following that, he served in leadership roles overseeing both stockpile elimination and non-stockpile chemical materiel disposal. Most recently as director of the U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA), he was responsible for ensuring the secure storage and safe destruction of the majority of chemical weapons in the U.S. stockpile. The chemical weapons destruction portion of CMA's mission was successfully completed at Deseret Chemical Depot, Utah on January 21, 2012.

With the remaining 10 percent of chemical weapons slated for destruction, the ACWA program will play a key role in the national chemical demilitarization program and will contribute to U.S. efforts to destroy the remaining chemical weapons stockpile.

For more information about ACWA, please visit: http://www.pmacwa.army.mil.



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